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[SEGIS] Subject: Solicitation [10474] Question set [1] Questions [1] to [5]

Contractors have asked the following questions on the subject RFQ. The questions and answers will be distributed to all contractors currently in consideration for award of this contract.

Question 1
Set 1

- The RFP (page 10) says “all Sandia funded R&D work must be performed in the US.” Can work be performed outside the US as part of our contractor contribution?

Answer:

Sandia encourages even cost share work to be done in the US, but realizes some infrastructures are already established that will require non-US based R&D. The non-US based R&D cannot be performed with Sandia funds. However, it can be part of the cost share or funded from other sources. Please include justification for non-US based R&D in the proposal.

Question 2
Set 1

- The RFP (page 6) says we must submit three Statements of Work – one for each stage – and that we must strictly follow the proposal outline. Can you tell me exactly where these Statements of Work go in the proposal? Are they part of the 30-page Technical Proposal (and if so, what section), or are they stand alone documents?

Answer:

- 1) Please submit all 3 statement of works in Part 1, Technical proposals and statement of work
- 2) Please title each statement of work as: Statement of Work for Stage 1, Statement of Work for Stage 2, and Statement of Work for Stage 3
- 3) Yes, Contractors shall include Statement of Works as part of the Technical proposal (Not to exceed 30 pages).

Question 3
Set 1

IP and Patent Rights – I can only find copyright info mentioned in the RFP. Is there another Sandia document available that discusses IP and Patents Rights, especially for a small business?

Answer:

Each contract is expected to be unique; therefore IP and copyrights may be subject at contract negotiations.

Please see FAR 52.227-14 for IP and Patents information

Question 4
Set 1

- Can you elaborate on how the Copyright section (Clause 13) impacts how we can pursue project-related technical publications (a requirement of 2.4.3 on page 10)?

Answer:

Clause 13 will be removed from the RFP.

Question 5
Set 1

- There are several instructions throughout the RFP (for example Instruction 4 on page 3) that require bits of information and seem to have places to fill-in the blank with a hand-written answer on the RFP itself. Do you want those filled-in on my copy of the RFP, scanned, and the entire RFP e-mailed back (in addition to the proposal sections requested, of course)? Or would you prefer those answers included, say, just on a cover page of one of the proposal volumes?

Answer:

- 1) Please sign the cover page, scan it , then email it to me with your proposal
- 2) Contractors shall include the following information on a separate page:
Page 3, Tax Identification Number and proper company name and address for payment purposes
Page 4, Furnish Name of Authorized Person
Page 12, Furnish Name of Auditor
- 3) Please do not email the entire RFP back to me.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION AS STATED IN EACH INSTRUCTION IS INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSAL.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any comments or questions.

Thank you;

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